

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 5, replace the paragraph, beginning on line 5, with the following amended paragraph:

--The present invention has been made to solve the drawbacks of the prior art mentioned above, and it is an object of the invention to provide a light source device and a projection display which exhibit a good white balance and a high light utilization efficiency in consideration of the light emission efficiencies inherent to individual light emitting diodes. ~~The following description will be centered on the goal assumed for each of claims for achieving the above object.--~~

Page 5, replace the paragraph, beginning on line 12, with the following amended paragraph:

~~--The invention set forth in claim 1~~ is intended to provide a light source device which is advantageous in the arrangement of light emitting diodes over the conventional light source device using a cross dichroic mirror, realizes an ideal white balance and a high light utilization efficiency, and further improves the light utilization efficiency through polarization conversion of illumination beams, which are randomly polarized light, from the light emitting diodes.--

Page 5, replace the paragraph, beginning on line 19, with the following amended paragraph:

--The invention ~~inventions set forth in claims 2, 3~~
~~are also is~~ intended to provide a light source device which can
be significantly reduced in size.--

Page 5, replace the paragraph, beginning on line 21,
with the following amended paragraph:

--The invention ~~set forth in claim 4~~ is further
intended to provide a light source device which can be further
reduced in weight.--

Page 5, replace the paragraph, beginning on line 23,
with the following amended paragraph:

--The invention ~~set forth in claim 5~~ is yet further
intended to provide a light source device in which the light
emitting diodes can be arranged in closer proximity to one
another.--

Page 5, replace the paragraph, beginning on line 26,
bridging pages 5 and 6, with the following amended paragraph:

--The invention ~~inventions set forth in claim 9 onward~~
~~are is still further~~ intended to provide a projection display
which employs any of [[the]] these light source devices ~~set forth~~
~~in claims 1 to 8~~ to enable the generation of a brighter
projection image which excels in color rendering properties.--

Page 6, replace the paragraph, beginning on line 4,
with the following amended paragraph:

--To achieve the above objects, the light source
device ~~set forth in claim 1~~ includes two or more light emission

boards each having three types of light emitting diodes for emitting red, green, and blue light, arranged in matrix in a predetermined ratio, polarized light forming means each opposing the light emission board associated therewith for receiving illumination beams of randomly polarized light emitted from the respective light emitting diodes, uniformly converting the illumination beams to the same type of linearly polarized light, and directing the linearly polarized light beam therefrom, and illumination beam combining means for transmitting or reflecting the incident linearly polarized light beams depending on the type of polarized light to combine the incident linearly polarized light beams orthogonal to each other into a single direction for emission therefrom.--

Page 6, replace the paragraph, beginning on line 16, with the following amended paragraph:

~~--In the light source device set forth in claim 2, the~~
The illumination beam combining means includes a polarized light separation surface formed therein and extending at 45° to the optical axis of the incident light beam, wherein the illumination beam combining means relies on the action of the polarized light separation surface which transmits or reflects polarized light incident thereon depending on the type of the polarized light to combine the incident light beams orthogonal to each other into a single direction for emission therefrom.--

Page 6, replace the paragraph, beginning on line 24, with the following amended paragraph:

~~--In the light source device set forth in claim 3, the~~
The polarized light separation surface is formed in a V-shape within the illumination beam combining means.--

Page 7, replace the paragraph, beginning on line 1, with the following amended paragraph:

~~--In the light source device set forth in claim 4, the~~
The illumination beam combining means comprises a wire grid type polarizer.--

Page 7, replace the paragraph, beginning on line 3, with the following amended paragraph:

~~--The light source device set forth in claim 5 further~~
includes illumination beam converging means disposed between each of the light emission boards and each of the polarized light forming means for converging the illumination beams of the randomly polarized light emitted from the light emitting diodes.
~~This light source device can take similar configurations to those in claims 2 to 4.--~~

Page 7, replace the paragraph, beginning on line 9, with the following amended paragraph:

~~--The projection display set forth in claim 9 for~~
projecting an image on a projection surface has a light source device and illumination beam modulating means for modulating an illumination beam emitted from the light source device to generate

a projection image for display on a projection surface, wherein the light source device comprises two or more light emission boards each having three types of light emitting diodes for emitting red, green, and blue light, arranged in matrix in a predetermined ratio, polarized light forming means each opposing the light emission board associated therewith for receiving illumination beams of randomly polarized light emitted from the respective light emitting diodes, uniformly converting the illumination beams to the same type of linearly polarized light, and directing the linearly polarized light beam therefrom, and illumination beam combining means for transmitting or reflecting the incident linearly polarized light beams depending on the type of polarized light to combine the incident linearly polarized light beams orthogonal to each other into a single direction for emission therefrom, and the illumination beam modulating means comprises a digital mirror device (DMD). ~~The light source device employed in the projection display can take any of the forms set forth in claims 1 to 8.--~~